BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of |) | |
| John and Ruth Stauffer |) | MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736 |
| Sam Brownback for US Senate and |) | |
| Alan Groesbeck, as treasurer |) | SENSITIVE |

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED: Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer, close the file as to them; and approve the appropriate letter.

II. DISCUSSION:

On May 17, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found probable cause to believe that John and Ruth Stauffer ("the Stauffers") violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1) by making excessive contributions to the Sam Brownback for US Senate Committee.





III. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

- 1. Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer.
- 2. Close the file as to John and Ruth Stauffer.
- 3. Approve the appropriate letter.

Date 6/14/c0

Lois G. Lerner

Acting General Counsel

Staff assigned: Mark Shonkwiler